

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

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Title: INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, METHOD OF  
GENERATING FLAG, METHOD OF PRODUCING  
INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, METHOD OF  
ADJUSTING RECORDING CONDITIONS OF INFORMATION  
RECORDING MEDIUM, METHOD OF RECORDING FOR  
INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM AND INFORMATION  
RECORDING DEVICE

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered into the application.

The amendments presented below are in compliance with the revised amendment format permitted in the Notice from the Office of Patent Legal Administration of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated February 10, 2003, and published at 1267 OG 106 on February 25, 2003. Thus, the provisions of 37 CFR 1.121(a), (b), (c) and (d) are waived for amendments made in this application to the claims, specification, and drawings.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 2 of this document, and include an attached replacement drawing sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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#### Amendments to the Drawings:

Please substitute the attached 1 sheet of formal drawing comprising Figs. 11A and 11B for the formal drawing sheet filed with the application comprising Figs. 11A and 11A. The drawing has been modified to correct the typographical error in the label of Fig. 11B. A separate Transmittal of Formal Drawings is submitted.